

CITY OF VANCOUVERSPECIAL COUNCIL - OCTOBER 21, 1976

A Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, October 21, 1976, in the No. 1 Committee Room at approximately 7:45 p.m.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Harcourt
Aldermen Kennedy, Marzari, Rankin, Sweeney
and Volrich

ABSENT: Mayor Phillips
Alderman Bird
Alderman Boyce (Ill)
Alderman Cowie

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL: M. Kinsella

Local Improvements by Petition

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

SECONDED by Ald. Sweeney,

THAT this Council resolve itself into a Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing complaints against the proposed assessments or the accuracy of frontage measurements, or any other complaint which persons interested may desire to make and which is by law cognizable by the Court, Deputy Mayor Harcourt in the Chair.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COURT OF REVISION

Special Light Standard, Street Lighting, Lane Lighting, Granville Mall Decorative Lighting, Hastings Street Underground Wiring and Street Lighting - Schedule #439

The Court received from the Collector of Taxes, Schedule No. 439, listing 78 local improvement projects at various locations on the initiative. In addition, the Court also received one project which had been requested by the majority of the assessed owners by means of a sufficiently signed petition.

The Court also noted a request submitted by the Collector of Taxes to adjust the measurements on item 31.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

SECONDED by Ald. Sweeney,

THAT Schedule #439 as submitted by the Collector of Taxes and amended by this Court, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

SECONDED by Ald. Kennedy,

THAT the Court of Revision rise and report.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

SECONDED by Ald. Sweeney,

THAT the report of the Court of Revision be received.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

cont'd....

Local Improvement Subsequent
Procedure - Schedule #439

The Council heard the following representations speaking for or against the projects listed:

	<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Mrs. M. Forbes on behalf of Mrs. Duncan of 3250 Fraser Street	57	Mrs. Forbes stated that Mrs. Duncan is a senior citizen and cannot afford to pay for this local improvement. Her house is located in a mainly commercial area.
Council was reminded that the City will be seeking a Charter amendment which will permit senior citizens to defer indefinitely payment of local improvement taxes against their property.		
Mrs. Margaret Brun	19	Objected to the project as there is already a light on the corner of 18th Avenue adjacent to her property. Also the remainder of this block is bush.
Mrs. Mary Baker	29	Objected to the recommendation of the City Engineer contained in the Manager's report dated October 7, 1976, and before the Court this evening, recommending that this project be undertaken on special grounds.
Mr. Steve Twerdun & Mr. John Golinsky	36	Both objected to this project as they consider the area is already well lighted by lighting installed on adjacent commercial buildings.
		The Assistant City Engineer - Electrical Division, advised that the Police Department had requested that this lane lighting be installed.
Mr. Max W. Richter	67	Objected to the project as he does not consider lighting essential for this lane. Officials present advised that although the standard of lighting in this lane will be commercial, Mr. Richter will be assessed the residential rate.
Mr. Anthony Hunt	79	Spoke in favour of the project.
Mr. Frank Prill	46	Objected to the project as his property is already well lighted by the adjacent Teamster's building and the gas station.

Council also noted letters received from the following which were circulated prior to the meeting:

- (a) R.D. Jamieson, J.F. Simpson & Mrs. M. Jensen (Item 12)
- (b) Heather Equipment Ltd. & Other Owners of
Businesses in the Area (Item 35)

cont'd....

Local Improvement Subsequent
Procedure - Schedule #439 (cont'd)

The Council then considered the following report of the City Manager dated October 5, 1976, in which the Deputy City Engineer reported:

"GENERAL

Projects on the 'Initiative Principle' and by 'Petition' have been advanced under the provisions of the Local Improvement Procedure By-law and will come before a Court of Revision of October 21, 1976.

The projects are identified as follows:

<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Type</u>
Initiative 439	1 to 8	Special Light Standard Projects
	9 to 35	Light Standard Projects
	36 to 76	Lane Lighting Projects
	77	Granville Mall Decorative Lighting Project
	78	Hastings Street underground Wiring Project
Petition 439	79	Light Standard Project

DEFEATED PROJECTS

The following projects on the 'Initiative Principle' have been defeated:

<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Type</u>
439	2	Special Light Standard Project
	17, 20, 23, 24, 29, 30 and 31	Light Standard Projects
	64	Lane Lighting Project

SPECIAL GROUNDS

The following defeated projects for Light Standards in the Jericho area will be the subject of a later report to Council recommending construction under the Special Grounds procedure:

Schedule 439

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Location</u>
24	Point Grey Rd. N/S Alma St. to the centerline of Wallace St. projected
	S/S Alma St. to west P/L of Lot 1, Block 232, D.L. 538
29	Wallace St. W/S Point Grey Rd. to 2nd Avenue
	E/S 1st Avenue to lane south of 2nd Avenue
30	Wallace St. 2nd Avenue to 4th Avenue
31	2nd Avenue N/S Wallace St. to approximately 564 feet west
	S/S Projection of the west P/L of Lot 1, Block C, D.L. 538 to approximately 630 feet west.

CAPITAL FUNDS

The City's share of the recommended projects is available in the 1976 Street Lighting Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

I RECOMMEND, subject to the proceedings of the Court of Revision and subsequent approval by Council, that the 'Initiative' and 'Petition' Projects in Schedule 439, except the defeated items 2, 17, 20, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31 and 64, be undertaken.

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendation of the Deputy City Engineer be approved."

cont'd.,.,.

Local Improvement Subsequent
Procedure - Schedule #439 (cont'd)

MOVED by Ald. Marzari
SECONDED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT, should the requested Charter amendment to permit senior citizens to defer local improvement taxes be approved prior to project #57 being placed on the tax roll, that the Collector of Taxes be instructed to defer any charges against Mrs. Duncan's property arising from this project;

FURTHER THAT, should the appropriate Charter amendment not be granted prior to this project being placed on the tax roll, that this property be given special relief to reduce the charge to a residential rate. This special relief to be on a year to year basis as long as the property remains residential.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Sweeney,
SECONDED by Ald. Kennedy,

THAT project #19 be undertaken with the scope reduced to cover 7th to 8th Avenues only.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Sweeney,
SECONDED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in his report dated October 5, 1976, be approved, subject to the amendments made this evening.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council also considered the following report of the City Manager dated October 7, 1976, in which the City Engineer reported:

"The following street lighting local improvement projects were advanced on the Initiative Principle on a report approved by Council on August 6, 1976. The projects which will come before a Court of Revision on October 21, 1976 have been defeated.

Local Improvement Schedule No. 439 -

- Item 24 - Point Grey Road north side Alma St. to the centre line of Wallace St. projected south side Alma to the W.P.L. lot 1, block 232, DL 538.
- Item 29 - Wallace St. west side from Point Grey Road to 2nd Avenue, east side from 1st Avenue to the lane south 2nd Avenue.
- Item 30 - Wallace St. from 2nd Avenue to 4th Avenue.
- Item 31 - 2nd Avenue north side from Wallace Street to a point approximately 564 ft. west, south side from the projection of W.P.L. lot 1, block C, DL 538 to a point approximately 630 ft. west.

As shown on the attached map these streets provide access to the recently opened Steeves Manor with 199 dwelling units and the proposed multiple family housing project to contain approximately 73 units. The present lighting which is inadequate for the anticipated greatly increased pedestrian and vehicular traffic associated with the two housing projects consists of incandescent lights on wooden poles at intersections and the incidental lighting from intersecting streets.

The estimated costs to the owners on the abutting streets is shown on the attached drawing based on the rate charged on normal residential streets (estimated single cash payment is \$4.40 per foot of assessable property or 75¢ per foot of assessable property per year for 10 years). The property on Wallace St. is flankage for which the owners are exempted on 75% of the length of property. The owners abutting 2nd Avenue are exempted 50% of the length of property because the property is fronting on two streets.

Special Council (Court of Revision), October 21, 1976 5

Street Lighting Local Improvements
on Special Grounds (cont'd)

There is no change in the City's share if these projects are advanced on special grounds. Funds for the City's share are available in the 1976 Street Lighting Capital Budget.

I RECOMMEND that the following street lighting local improvement projects be proceeded with on special grounds and that City Council pass the formal resolution to this effect which will require the approval of two-thirds of all members of Council.

Local Improvement Schedule No. 439 -

Item 24 - Point Grey Road north side Alma St. to the centre line of Wallace St. projected south side Alma to the W.P.L. lot 1, block 232, DL 538.

Item 29 - Wallace St. west side from Point Grey Road to 2nd Avenue, east side from 1st Avenue to the lane south 2nd Avenue.

Item 30 - Wallace St. from 2nd Avenue to 4th Avenue.

Item 31 - 2nd Avenue north side from Wallace Street to a point approximately 564 ft. west, south side from the projection of W.P.L. lot 1, Block C, DL 538 to a point approximately 630 ft. west."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendation of the City Engineer be adopted.

MOVED by Ald. Sweeney,

SECONDED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in the foregoing report be not approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- - - - -

The Council adjourned at approximately 8:40 p.m.

- - - - -

N.B. A letter circulated with the agenda from a number of owners on West 71st Avenue re Project #35 will be the subject of a future report from the City Engineer and the Collector of Taxes.

The foregoing are Minutes of the Special Council Meeting (Court of Revision) of October 21, 1976, adopted on November 9, 1976.

A. Phillips
MAYOR

B. D. L. M.
CITY CLERK